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In re the PATENT application of

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Examiner: Katherine M. Dowe

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Group Art Unit: 3731

Filed: October 22, 2003

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Tubular Members of Tube and Single Wrap Construction

MAIL STOP: PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents for filing in the subject patent
application:

Letter;
One copy each of Transmittal Sheet and Response to Restriction Requirement as
filed 02/26/2008;
Copy of Return Receipt Postcard, date-stamped 02/28/2008; and
Return Receipt Postcard.

Respectfully submitted,

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LETTER

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Sir:

After reviewing the file of the subject application on Public Pair, the undersigned noted that the Response to Restriction Requirement filed on February 26, 2008 is not mentioned or shown in the Transaction History or in the Image File Wrapper sections.

Accordingly, applicant submits herewith copies of the Transmittal Sheet and Response to Restriction Requirement filed via the mail on February 26, 2008 and a copy of the Return Receipt postcard date-stamped by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on February 28, 2008.

It is requested that the File Wrapper for the subject application be completed to include the Response to Restriction Requirement and that action on the merits be taken.

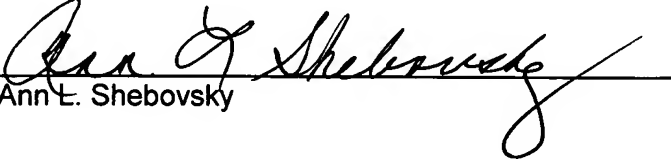
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This communication is submitted in response to the Office Action dated February 21, 2008 in which restriction was required to one of Invention I corresponding to claims 1-13, drawn to an angled tissue cutting instrument or Invention II corresponding to claims 14-22, drawn to a method of fabricating an angled tissue cutting instrument.

In response to the restriction requirement, applicant hereby elects, with traverse, Invention I corresponding to claims 1-13 for prosecution on the merits.

In light of the above, the subject patent application is submitted to be in condition for examination on the merits, and early favorable action on the merits is courteously solicited.

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